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GRADUATES OF COMMON SCHOOL

Problem of What to Do With Them —Need and Must Have More Room and Equipment

This is Crittenden's banner year for common school graduates. Already there are one hundred and two who have successfully passed the required examination, and the May examination is yet to come. Last year was our best year up to that. We had seventy-five for the county. Before this the number had ranged from thirty to fifty. The ages of these at present time range from thirteen to seventeen. Time was when the ages ranged from eighteen to twenty-four. An approximate estimate shows that at least, fifty per cent of all the eighth grade pupils in the rural schools this year completed the work, took the required examination and received their promotion certificates. An optimistic consideration of these conditions indicate improvement in many ways: efficient teachers, longer terms, uniform course of study and daily program, more liberal laws, better equipped houses and grounds, together with some other things that could be thought of. It all means progress. There are many other things that could be done to make the schools of the county more efficient, and come nearer accomplishing the object of their mission, but I will mention only one here. The sub-districts are too small. We have too many schools to maintain with the means we have at hand. The work is not sufficiently amassed, but there are plans formulating which will help this condition. When this is done and other improvements are brought to bear the country boy and girl will be able to complete the common school work by the time they are thirteen or fourteen years old. This brings us face to face with another grave problem. What will we do with the common school graduate? Really this question is upon us now.

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NOTICE.

To the Physicians and Midwives of Crittenden County.

The Statutes of Kentucky require the health officers of each county in this state to hold a school of instruction for the physicians and mid-wives.

This meeting is to instruct the physicians and midwives how best to prevent Ophthalmia Neonatorum, which disease is causing so much blindness in this state.

The law requires the Health officers to hold these schools and it also requires the physicians and midwives to attend them. This school of instruction will be held in my office on Tuesday, February 29th 1916, at 1 o'clock, p. m. I hope you will let nothing prevent you from attending, that by mutual study we may all be benefitted and better prepared to render the service to our patients and society that we justly owe them. T. Atchison Frazer, Health Officer.

"Engaged by Wednesday."

A sweet little drama of every-day life with all the lights

and shadows entitled "Engaged By Wednesday," was presented by the Junior Class of the Marion High School at the Auditorium Friday evening, Feb. 18th. The spacious hall was filled to overflowing, long before the hour for the curtain to go up. The friends of all the players being in evidence in the audience. The performance was given for the benefit of the Auditorium's new stage, which has been put in and the proceeds of this entertainment paid for it. As usual the sweetest of music was furnished by High School Orchestra, which rendered several especially note worthy productions.

The cast of characters follows: Martin Henry, Herman Boucher; Arthur Watson, Huston Hughes; Jack, Ted, Dick, —friends of Arthur, —Joe Hunter, Sylvan Bigham, Floyd Frazer; Miss Abigail Persons, Ruth Travis; Mrs. Watson, Jewel Rankin; Lucile Persons, Miriam Pierce; Marie, Jane, Mabel, —friends of Lucile, —Myrtle Glass, Florine Harrod, Virginia Fianary; Mary, —Martin Henry's aunt, —Ruby Vaughn; First Girl, Anna Stenbridge; Second Girl, Stella Elkins; First Gypsy, Iva Bigham; Second Gypsy, Ruby Dean.

The audience was in a roar almost from the time the curtain went up and everyone was inquiring, "Who is Martin Henry." Mr. Herman Boucher who played the part, being a stranger to many of our people. He is a son of Rev. Carl T. Boucher and was complimented highly on his work.

"Arthur Watson," a d d i n g man of the play, was represented by Huston Hughes, who received many encomiums of praise on his talent, as did his chums, "Jack," "Ted" and "Dick," Joe Hunter, Sylvan Bigham and Floyd Frazer, each of whom immortalized himself.

Miss Ruth Travis, as "Miss Abigail Persons" the old maid aunt, with several curls, was the personification of precision and wanted to do things up to the minute by the clock. She was good. Her niece, "Miss Lucile Persons," the leading lady, was ably represented by Miss Miriam Pierce.

"Mrs. Watson," the mother of Arthur, was a tall, stately and dignified matron of rare beauty and refinement and in assigning this part to Miss Jewel Rankin, a gem was selected indeed. Miss Rankin's acting was exceptional. The friends of Lucile, "Marie," "Jane" and "Mabel" and other girls in their parts were all sweet and lovely girls and added much charm to the play. One to see them would have thought they had been there before.

Martin's Aunt Mary, the domestic, was as good as any of them. Miss Ruby Vaughn took this character.

Misses Ivy Bigham and Ruby Dean, the gypsies, acted like "sure enough" ones, in more ways than one, not forgetting to help themselves to all the clothes and chickens in sight.

Midway School Closes.

Midway school closed Friday, Feb. 11th, with a grand entertainment, which was declared by several to be the finest entertainment which was ever held at Midway or adjoining districts. Miss Etta Boistur, our teacher, had everything arranged so nice. The way the children spoke their pieces showed us that their teacher knew how to train them for the occasion.

We hope to have Miss Etta with us again next year, as we all have learned to love her.

A Patron.

IS CRITTENDEN A BACK NUMBER?

NO! But Read These Articles Below About What Our Neighbors Are Doing.

Although Christian county has 216 miles of pikes and there are 30 miles of improved streets in the city of Hopkinsville they still sigh for other and more extensive improvements along the same line and will vote on a good road's bond proposition soon and have appointed the following commissioners, says the New Era: J. P. Myers, Fairview; B. F. Wood, Gracey; Oscar E. Lane, Pembroke; Howard Brame, Longview; W. C. Binns, Pee Dee, Dr. W. W. Durham, Era; D. T. Oranor, Crofton; Waller Martin, Carl.

The Bond Issue is for \$400,000. The Commissioners and the Fiscal Court are both pledged to divide the funds equally between the sections of the county, north and south of the Fairview and Princeton roads. Of the total sum the State pays \$200,000, Hopkinsville and corporations \$100,000 and the county tax payers \$100,000. The interest payments will be in the same relative proportions. All new roads to be built under supervision of government engineers.

Present mileage Improved Roads:

SOUTH CHRISTIAN.	
Edwards' Mill	3 Miles
Nashville	11
Tobacco	7
Bradshaw	9
Clarksville	18
Palmyra	18
Beverly-Lafayette	14
Cox's Mill	10
Julien	12
Newstead Branch	7
Cadiz	10
Fairview and Pembroke	3
Total	122
NORTH CHRISTIAN.	
Princeton (when completed)	16
Buttermilk	10
Madisonville	13
Mt. Zoar	3
Crofton, est	2
Greenville	14
Antioch	6
Bluff Spring branch	5
Upper Johnson's Mill	1
Butler	10
Ducker's Mill	3
Fairview	10
Fairview and Kirkmansville	1
Highland Lick	1
Total	94
Total in county	216
Improved streets built by city	30

\$600,000 Road Bonds.

Owensboro, Ky., Feb. 22.—The decision of the court of appeals at Frankfort in the case of Bowman against Fayette county, wherein the court ruled that it required only a majority of the voters of the county to instruct fiscal courts to issue road bonds will mean that Daviess county will issue \$600,000 worth of road bonds this year. Last year an election was held and the bond proposition failed to get a two-thirds vote by seventy-two votes. However, local attorneys investigated the law and held that the amendment to the road law only required a majority vote in a bond issue.

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The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c.

LETTER FROM REP. ED. STONE

Tells All About What is Happening in The State Legislature at Frankfort

DEAR FRIENDS:

A few more weeks and this session of the Kentucky State Legislature will adjourn, leaving an unjust burden on the people. I introduced a resolution providing for a committee to be appointed from the House and Senate with the power to inquire into and investigate the expenditures of all departments of the State, and suggest ways and means of curtailing expenses and reducing the number of employees, said resolution was buried in the house.

The State-wide prohibition amendment met with defeat in the Senate and House. I labored and voted for the amendment. I have satisfactory evidence of a sufficient majority to pass the Dog Bill in the House and as to the Senate's attitude in regard to said bill I cannot state accurately.

One of the most important questions to the people of this state is taxation and yet this session has made no effort to consider a revision of the tax law. This Democratic administration owes an equitable tax system to the people, and that could have been done at this session of the legislature. Yet, realizing that no one man or set of men can rule a majority, I have complied with every promise made by me to my constituents. Those promised measures should be, by right and justice to the people enacted into law.

As I have promised my constituents heretofore that I shall hold no party prejudice, but labor daily for the welfare and future betterment of the people of Crittenden and Livingston counties, upholding the banner of clean government, clean politics and manhood. Every representative owes to his people protection, he was elected to render a square deal to the mass of the people.

We should advocate the promotion of genuine popular government in our state and nation, and the defense of human rights, and the establishment of social and industrial justice, so that every force in the community may be directed toward securing for the average man and woman a higher, better and fuller life in the things of the body no less than those of the mind and soul.

Every great resolution among the nations of the earth has been the fruit of unrestrained greed and avarice. It was the greed and avarice of the barons that drove Cromwell into rebellion. The injustice and cruelty of the wealthy classes of France brought on the terrible revolution that devastated the most highly cultivated nation among men. It was the greed and avarice of the slave owner that brought on the war of the great rebellion. Our menace is the greed and avarice of men who seek to control legislation for personal gain, and to correct the evils that grow out of this condition we must place more responsibility upon the average citizen, put greater power into the people's hands, so that the voter at the polls can cure the corruptness and evils that exist in our legislative halls by electing true, honest, intelli-

gent and patriotic men to frame the laws under which they are to live, and be governed by; the rank and file of the people believe in justice, I have confidence in their intelligence, I have faith in their sense of justice, and believe that the institutions of our country are safe in their hands. Government of the people, for the people and by the people is in my judgement one of the most important questions of the age. The people are indignant against the repeated and flagrant violation by men who pledge them protection, justice and a clean administration, and then, after election, repudiate and violate their solemn obligations. The people are indignant against legislators, and members of City Councils and County officers who are continually thwarting the will of the people and voting against wholesale legislation at the instance of gigantic corporations of the state and cities. The battle cry of the rule of the people is spreading throughout the entire land without regard to political affiliation. I am,

Your obedient servant,
Edward D. Stone,
Frankfort, Ky.

School News.

"Martin Henry" has made for himself a great reputation. In spite of his laziness his devotion to his chickens shows us he is careful about larger matters.

Mr. Franklin is back at school. He accompanied his brother Herschel to Louisville to a sanatorium last week. We missed him a great deal and rejoice to have him with us again.

John Underdown and George Phillips of the Casad neighborhood entered school here in the eighth grade Monday.

The Junior play was indeed a great success. "There's a reason," Miss Lena Holtzclaw, a young lady whose fame has spread all over Western Kentucky trained them.

Our new stage is completed. When we get our new curtains our auditorium will be as well fixed as conditions permit. The school wishes to thank the public for its enthusiastic support. We do not know how to tender our thanks to Mr. Christian for the things he is doing for us. It is through him that we have been able to have this new stage as well as the new laboratory apparatus.

Miss Emma Hunt of the Board of Health of Ky., delivered a splendid address on "The Prevention of Tuberculosis" in chapel Wednesday morning.

Owen Davenport is back in school again after a week's illness.

The fourth grade gave a good entertainment in Chapel Monday morning.

Southern Presbyterians to Meet.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 21.—At a meeting held at Hotel Latham by representatives of the Paducah and Muhlenburg Presbyteries of the Southern Presbyterian church, it was decided to hold a laymen's meeting in Hopkinsville on May 3, 4 and 5 under the joint auspices of the two Presbyteries. It is expected that not less than five hundred delegates will be here to attend the meeting and fully as many and possibly many more will attend as visitors. The territory embraced in the two Presbyteries covers thirty-one counties of Western Kentucky, in which are such towns as Bowling Green, Hopkinsville, Paducah, Madisonville, Henderson, Owensboro, Greenville, etc.

COL. ROBERTS IS STRICKEN

With Apoplexy Monday Afternoon Causing Slight Paralysis of Right Side.

While sitting in his office in the Post Office building Monday afternoon, D. C. Roberts the well known mining man, was stricken with an apoplectic stroke which caused a slight paralysis of the right side. When discovered by J. W. Wilson he was alone and showed by his pallor he was in great distress. Mr. Wilson called G. M. Crider, whose office is near by and together they assisted Mr. Roberts to his room in the Crittenden Hotel and Dr. Frazer was summoned quickly. He pronounced Col. Roberts' condition serious and advised, that he be taken at once to the home of his son G. P. Roberts, a trained nurse be called and that his daughters be notified. Colonel Roberts, altho in his 72nd year is a man of wonderful vitality and recuperative powers and may throw off this attack His condition Wednesday at noon as we go to press was said to be somewhat improved.

Charged With Burglary.

Walter and Virgil Duffy, white were brought here yesterday from Marion and placed in jail. They are charged with having broken into R. M. Burshear's grocery at Grove Center last Saturday night and stealing two pairs of shoes and other articles. —Morganfield Sun.

NOTICE.

From March the 1st until August 1st I will be in my office Saturdays and Mondays only and will make it to your interest to see me for your optical work. Gold frames with best lenses \$4.00. Eye glasses either in rims or rimless \$4.00. Other kinds in proportion. All work guaranteed as represented. Remember the time every Saturday and Monday. Geo. W. Stone, Optometrist.

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